# **NEWSLETTER**

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Autumn Term Dates: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December



# **Upcoming Dates:**

27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October - Half Term

3<sup>rd</sup> November - PD Day

4<sup>th</sup> November - Back to school

4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November - Early Years 2026/2027 Open Day

10th to 14th November - Anti Bullying Week

10<sup>th</sup> - Odd Sock Day

10<sup>th</sup> - Shoebox Appeal

11th - Remembrance Day at School

13<sup>th</sup> - Flu Immunisations

14th - Children In Need - Non-Uniform

14<sup>th</sup> - PTA Family Bingo Night

## **After School Clubs:**

Monday - Multi Sports - Early Years to Year 2

Monday - Board Games - Year 3 to Year 6

Tuesday - Boys Football - Year 4 to Year 6

Wednesday - KATS - All Years

Wednesday - DF Sports Mixed Football - Year 1 to Year 4

Thursday - Girls Football - Year 4 to Year 6

Thursday - Yoga - Year 1 to Year 4

Friday - Table Tennis - Year 3 to Year 6

## Abbeycroft Move Awards

We were delighted to be nominated and shortlisted for the Abbeycroft Move Awards and on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October, St Mary's staff represented the school at the awards ceremony in Bury St Edmunds.

Although we did not win our category of School of the Year, we did collectively with other members of the Forest Heath Sports Partnership pick up the award for Movement Partner of the Year.



# Harvest Festival | 2<sup>nd</sup> October



The whole school attended a church service on the morning in Early October to celebrate the Harvest Festival with Reverend Sue. This was the first trip to Church for our Early Years who were helped by the Year 6 children.

It was so lovely to see the whole school walking together, with the older year groups helping the younger ones and new friendships being formed.

We were delighted with generosity of the donations that the children took to church, thank you to everyone that was able to donate, and to the PTA and Governor volunteers who came to help us walk to church.





# Year 5 and Year 6 7v7 Football Tournament | 8<sup>th</sup> October

Some of the children in Year 5 and Year 6 took part in the 7v7 Football Tournament which was hosted at Great Heath Academy.

It was a superb team effort, and St Mary's won the whole tournament, winning all their games. A huge congratulations to Blu, Claydon, Elliott, Jacob, James, Lewis, Tommy and Zac.

Also a huge thank you to our volunteers.



# **Year 5 Church Bible Presentation** 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> October

Year 5 went to Church during October to meet Reverend Sue who presented all the children a Bible.



## Year 5 and Year 6 7v7 Football Tournament | 14<sup>th</sup> October

We had another opportunity to take part in a 7v7 Football Tournament for Year 5 and Year 6 children, at Great Heath Academy.

We were able to take two teams to compete.

The teams all played amazingly well and showed great team spirit.

The white team managed to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, and the blue team came 3<sup>rd</sup> in their group in which was a very tough group. Well done to Adam, Christopher, Elijah, Gary, George G, George R, Jaxon, Jayden, Jihan, Joshua, Lewis, Logan, Nathaniel, Olly, Oscar, Oska, Reggie, and Samuel.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped on the day.



## **Half Term Clubs**

DF Sports: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 9am to 3.30pm at Mildenhall Social Club







### **Cheerful Champs:**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 9am to 3.30pm (with wrap around care available 8.30am to 4.30pm) at St Mary's Academy

It will be a jam-packed week of fun, including:

- Slim Lab
- Messy Science
- Crafts and Cooking
- Outdoor Play and Sports
- A Special Halloween Fun Day on Friday

Places are limited so early booking is recommended:
<a href="https://www.cheerfulchamps.co.uk">www.cheerfulchamps.co.uk</a>

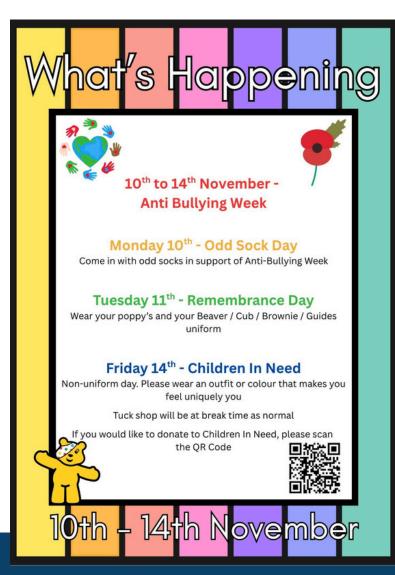
### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# 2026/2027 Early Years Open Day | 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November

We are now full for our Open Days on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

If you have a child, or know anyone who has a child due to start Early Years in September next year, please contact <a href="mailto:office@smpsac.org">office@smpsac.org</a> to register your interest in a tour.





# **Anti Bullying Week** 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November

### Monday 10th - Odd Sock Day

Come in to school wearing odd socks to support Anti Bullying Week.

# **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day** Wear your poppy's.

Also, if you have a Beaver / Cub / Brownie / Guides etc uniform you can come to school wearing it.

### Friday 14th - Children In Need

Non Uniform Day - wear an outfit or colour that makes you feel unique.

If you would like to make a donation to Children in Need, please click <u>here</u>

We are taking part in the Samaritans Shoebox Appeal again this year. For more information, please click <u>here</u>.

Shoebox Appeal 13<sup>th</sup> November

If you are able to help the Shoebox Appeal, the categories they are looking for are:

- Boy 2-4 years
- Girl 2-4 years
- Boy 5-9 years
- Girl 5-9 years
- Boy 10-14 years
- Girl 10-14 years

Please bring your parcels to reception by Monday 10th November where we can attach the labels for you

# Flu Immunisations

The School Immunisation team will be coming into school to deliver the children's Flu Vaccine on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November. This will be the same as previous years, and will be a nasal spray.

Please complete the form by clicking <u>here</u>. Even if you do not consent to your child having the vaccine, please complete the form as there is an option to decline.



To find our school, please enter the postcode "IP28 7LR".

The form must be completed by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

# **Upcoming PTA Dates**



### Family Bingo - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

The PTA are hosting a Family Bingo Night on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November from 4.30pm to 8pm at Mildenhall Social Club.

Tickets are £5 for adults and £3 for children. Tickets include 1 free Bingo Card and either hot dog or burger with chips.

There will also be a raffle and tuck shop available.

To book your tickets, please click here.

## Wrap Around Care

Cheerful Champs now run the Wrap Around Care for both the morning and afternoon sessions.

Here's what you can expect: Extended morning sessions: 7.30am to 8.30am Afternoon sessions: 3.20pm to 5.30pm Flexible drop off and pick up

Bookings can be booked via their website <u>www.cheerfulchamps.co.uk</u>



### 2025 - 2026 Term Dates

Our term dates for the 2025 - 2026 school year are below. Please remember children are not required to attend on PD Days.

A copy of these term dates can also be found on the St Mary's website.

